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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.116

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 2, 2004, finally rejecting claims 1-4, 8-10, 12, 13, 23-28, 30-32, 34, 35, 43-48, 57 and 59-61, Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks: